

**THE STATE SCHOOL AID ACT OF 1979 (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 94 of 1979**

**388.1674 School bus driver safety instruction or driver skills road tests; cost of instruction and driver compensation; nonspecial education auxiliary services transportation.**

Sec. 74. (1) From the amount appropriated in section 11, there is allocated an amount not to exceed \$1,625,000.00 for 2005-2006 for the purposes of subsections (2) and (3).

(2) From the allocation in subsection (1), there is allocated each fiscal year the amount necessary for payments to state supported colleges or universities and intermediate districts providing school bus driver safety instruction or driver skills road tests pursuant to sections 51 and 52 of the pupil transportation act, 1990 PA 187, MCL 257.1851 and 257.1852. The payments shall be in an amount determined by the department not to exceed 75% of the actual cost of instruction and driver compensation for each public or nonpublic school bus driver attending a course of instruction. For the purpose of computing compensation, the hourly rate allowed each school bus driver shall not exceed the hourly rate received for driving a school bus. Reimbursement compensating the driver during the course of instruction or driver skills road tests shall be made by the department to the college or university or intermediate district providing the course of instruction.

(3) From the allocation in subsection (1), there is allocated each fiscal year the amount necessary to pay the reasonable costs of nonspecial education auxiliary services transportation provided pursuant to section 1323 of the revised school code, MCL 380.1323. Districts funded under this subsection shall not receive funding under any other section of this act for nonspecial education auxiliary services transportation.

**History:** 1979, Act 94, Eff. Oct. 1, 1979;—Am. 1991, Act 200, Imd. Eff. Jan. 2, 1992;—Am. 1992, Act 148, Eff. Oct. 1, 1992;—Am. 1993, Act 175, Eff. Oct. 1, 1993;—Am. 1993, Act 336, Eff. Oct. 1, 1994;—Am. 1995, Act 130, Eff. Oct. 1, 1995;—Am. 1996, Act 300, Eff. Oct. 1, 1996;—Am. 1997, Act 93, Eff. Oct. 1, 1997;—Am. 1997, Act 142, Imd. Eff. Nov. 19, 1997;—Am. 1998, Act 339, Imd. Eff. Oct. 13, 1998;—Am. 1999, Act 119, Imd. Eff. July 20, 1999;—Am. 2000, Act 297, Imd. Eff. July 26, 2000;—Am. 2001, Act 121, Imd. Eff. Sept. 28, 2001;—Am. 2002, Act 191, Imd. Eff. Apr. 26, 2002;—Am. 2002, Act 521, Imd. Eff. July 25, 2002;—Am. 2003, Act 158, Eff. Oct. 1, 2003;—Am. 2004, Act 351, Eff. Oct. 1, 2004;—Am. 2005, Act 155, Eff. Oct. 1, 2005.

**Compiler's note:** In his veto message relative to Enrolled House Bill 4572, which became Act 118 of 1991, the governor stated that "the tradition of not re-enacting annually the unchanged appropriation sections of the school aid act is constitutionally flawed. It assumes the invalid creation of a continuing appropriation. Therefore, the following sections of the school aid act and their associated allocations must be considered inoperative: 24, 55, 74, 75, 105a, 111, and 116. These sections will be treated as excluded from the current bill...".

In subsection (1), as amended by Act 121 of 2001, the phrase "and for 2002-2003" was vetoed by the governor September 28, 2001.

Enacting section 3 of Act 521 of 2002 provides:

"Enacting section 3. This amendatory act does not take effect unless the tax on cigarettes under the tobacco products tax act, 1993 PA 327, MCL 205.421 to 205.436, is increased by 50 cents or more per pack of cigarettes (25 mills per cigarette) effective on or before September 30, 2002 and the revenue from not less than 20 cents per pack of cigarettes (10 mills per cigarette) of that increase is dedicated by law for deposit into the state school aid fund established by section 11 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963."

For legislation increasing tax on cigarettes and dedicating a portion of increased revenue to state school aid fund, see 2002 PA 503, Imd. Eff. July 18, 2002.

Enacting section 1 of Act 351 of 2004 provides:

"Enacting section 1. In accordance with section 30 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963, total state spending in this amendatory act from state sources for fiscal year 2004-2005 is estimated at \$11,173,900,000.00 and state appropriations to be paid to local units of government for fiscal year 2004-2005 are estimated at \$11,113,650,400.00."

Enacting section 1 of 2005 PA 155 provides:

"Enacting section 1. In accordance with section 30 of article I of the state constitution of 1963, total state spending in this amendatory act and in House Bill No. 4831 of the 93rd Legislature from state sources for fiscal year 2005-2006 is estimated at \$11,364,814,000.00 and state appropriations to be paid to local units of government for fiscal year 2005-2006 are estimated at \$11,341,913,100.00."